## Message

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**Subject**: RE: clairton summaries

Attachments: RE: Christmas Eve Fire at USS Clairton Works; FW: US Steel Clairton Update; RE: US Steel Enforcement Order 190202

Kris.

I don't know what Jim sent you, but here are all my summaries. Apologies for the information dump. Let me know if you want to discuss further

## **United States Steel Clairton Works Fire**

A fire broke out in a compressor at United States Steel Corporation Clairton Works (Clairton Works) in Clairton, Pennsylvania (Allegheny County), on December 24, 2018. Clairton Works is currently the largest coke plant in North America. The fire resulted in significant damage to the equipment in the desulfurization process used to clean the coke oven gas stream, which is required to have low sulfur content. Repairs are estimated to take around four months, and during this time, Clairton Works will not be able to run their desulfurization equipment to clean the coke oven gas stream. Ambient air monitors in the area are showing elevated levels of sulfur dioxide and Clairton Works is trying to minimize the impact of the elevated sulfur by combusting more natural gas and flaring coke oven gas in a controlled manner at another location. EPA is having regular conversations with the Allegheny County Health Department and has offered its assistance with any enforcement actions. **Contact:** James Hagedorn, 215-814-2161; James Riggs, 215-814-2238.

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Hi,

Did you write up any summaries after the Clairton fire? If so could you send them to me? Thanks

Kris

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